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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
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SERIAL NO: 10/512,087 :
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FOR: METHOD OF DETECTING :
BIOLOGICAL PATTERN, BIOLOGICAL
PATTERN DETECTOR, METHOD OF
BIOLOGICAL CERTIFICATE AND
BIOLOGICAL CERTIFICATE
APPARATUS

STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

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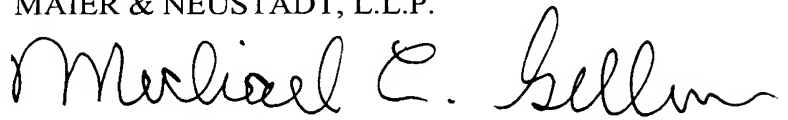
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant hereby expresses appreciation for the grant of a personal interview on December 8, 2010. During the interview, arguments were presented that the then cited references, Miura, Marchitto, and Lafreniere neither describe nor render obvious the claimed subject matter. Those arguments are consistent with the arguments previously presented with regard to Miura and Marchitto. In addition, the issue of whether the Office Action was properly made Final was discussed. Although an argument can be made that the amendment to Claim 59 including recitation of near-infrared light “reflected” or scattered in a shallow portion of the part of the body raises a new issue, it is submitted that the additional language does not materially change the scope of the claims. Furthermore, neither the previously cited

Lafreniere nor the newly cited Clynne describes such a feature. Therefore, the citation of either of these references would not have been necessitated by the amendment to the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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